Honolulu, Hawaii FEB 1 3 2015

RE: S.B. No. 544

Honorable Donna Mercado Kim President of the Senate Twenty-Eighth State Legislature Regular Session of 2015 State of Hawaii

Madam:

Your Committees on Water and Land and Energy and Environment, to which was referred S.B. No. 544 entitled:

"A BILL FOR AN ACT RELATING TO NATURAL RESOURCES,"

beg leave to report as follows:

The purpose and intent of this measure is to authorize appropriations for watershed management; invasive species prevention, control, outreach, research, and planning; equipment for fire, natural disaster, and emergency response; and forest and outdoor recreation improvements.

Your Committees received testimony in support of this measure from the Department of Land and Natural Resources; Office of Environmental Quality Control; Hawaii Farm Bureau; Land Use Research Foundation of Hawaii; Hawaii Green Growth; Conservation Council for Hawaii; The Nature Conservancy; Oahu Invasive Species Committee; Maui Invasive Species Committee; Big Island Invasive Species Committee; and six individuals.

Your Committees find that the Governor, Mayors of all the Counties, and the Chair of the Board of Trustees of the Office of Hawaiian Affairs have expressed their interest in accepting the Aloha+ Challenge. This measure provides funding to implement the natural resource management goals as stated in this measure. These items are essential to meet the Aloha+ Challenge and to keep Hawaii unique, improve the quality of life, health, and safety for Hawaii's residents and visitors, and maintain Hawaii's economy.

As affirmed by the records of votes of the members of your Committees on Water and Land and Energy and Environment that are attached to this report, your Committees are in accord with the intent and purpose of S.B. No. 544 and recommend that it pass Second Reading and be referred to the Committee on Ways and Means.

Respectfully submitted on behalf of the members of the Committees on Water and Land and Energy and Environment,

MIKE GABBARD, Chair

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| GREEN, Josh (VC) | | | | | V | | | |
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